

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Shamim M. Malik	Examiner: Melanie Ruano Tyson
Serial No.: 09/997,449	Art Unit: 3773
Filed: November 30, 2001	Confirmation No.: 3441
Customer No.: 45159	Attorney Docket No.: 050623.00134
Title: Modified Implantable Device Surface And A Method Of Making The Same	

Mail Stop **Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Sir:

This response is being co-filed with a petition for a two month extension of time. In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated August 31, 2010, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 4.